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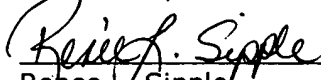
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application prior to examination as follows:

- ☒ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Abstract** is reflected on page 7 of this paper which is a clean version of the Abstract.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.